

PATENT APPLICATION DECLARATION COMBINED WITH POWER OF ATTORNEY



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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Trunk and Switch Architecture for Providing Switched-Circuit Connections to On-Line Data Services", Attorney Docket No. A00372, the specification of which:

_______ is attached hereto.

______ was filed on October 30, 1997 as U.S. Application Serial No. 08/961,313
and was amended on _______ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I hereby authorize my attorney(s) or agent(s) to fill in the U.S. Application Serial No. above, if required.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):

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(Serial No.)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed	Yes	No
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I hereby claim the priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which is material to the examination of this application and which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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